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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Attached please find Form PTO-1449 together with the references as stated in the specification. No translations are available at this time.

- JP 6-218591 as discussed on Page 2 of the specification. An English abstract is provided for this document.

- JP 6-54498 cited in the international search report for the corresponding PCT application as a document of particular relevance regarding inventiveness of the present invention when combined with one or more other documents. This document describes a C type press with dual eccentric driven connecting rods and a synchronized die support adjustment system to adjust the die supports beneath each of the connecting rods.

- JP 61-106221 cited in the international search report for the corresponding PCT application as a document of particular relevance regarding inventiveness of the present

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invention when combined with one or more other documents. This document describes an injection molding machine driving device using at least two sets of ball screw mechanisms connected in series. An English abstract is provided for this document.

- JP 4-47520 cited in the international search report for the corresponding PCT application as a document of particular relevance regarding inventiveness of the present invention when combined with one or more other documents. This document describes a clamping system for an injection molding machine utilizing dual motors and drive systems for large displacement low force and small displacement high force movement and clamping operations.

- JP 11-226796 cited in the international search report for the corresponding PCT application as a document of particular relevance regarding inventiveness of the present invention when combined with one or more other documents. This document describes a highly precise C type frame press with an opening degree detector and a control device for driving the press through a driving means. An English abstract is provided for this document.

Favorable action on the merits is respectfully requested.

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